

SINGLE SOURCE (APPLICABLE TO PURCHASES UNDER SAT \$3,000 - \$150,000)

1. Contracting Activity:

NCO 12, GREAT LAKES ACQUISITION CENTER, 115 SOUTH 84TH STREET, SUITE 101 MILWAUKEE, WI 53214

- 2. Purchase Request Number: 695-13-3-1191-0289
- 3. Authority for Action:

FAR 13.106-1(b), Soliciting from a Single Source (brand name)

4. Describe the supply or service to be acquired and the total estimated dollar value;

The supplies to be acquired are dental articulator kits for the new Green Bay OPC. These kits are used to produce molds of patient's bite forks for the fabrication and removal of dental appliances and dentures. The estimated dollar value for this requirement is \$38,000.

5. List the proposed contractor (name, contact, and phone number) and describe the unique knowledge or capabilities of the proposed contractor:

These Artex® articulators are available through distributors. These articulators utilize a unique and specific calibration and standardization tool within this particular system. They are fully adjustable and allow for more complex measurements used on patients. These have been purchased for NCO 12 before and the dental staff is very familiar with them. If different articulators are introduced, the staff would need training which would cost time and money, and they would need to know which item they are using and adjust techniques accordingly. Furthermore, the Zablocki VAMC currently uses this same articulator system, and it is essential the same ones are used in Green Bay so that the neighboring facilities can transfer cases, if necessary, without transferring an entire articulator. Since the articulator itself is the most expensive part-of-this-system, it-is-in-the best-interest-of-the-Government-not-to risk damaging it if possible. Purchasing this articulator and only transferring the cases greatly reduces the risk of damage.

6. Describe your market research efforts and efforts to ensure that offers are solicited from as many potential sources as is practicable:

GSA/NAC searches were conducted, along with Google/Bing searches. There are certain articulators offered in other places by other manufacturers and distributors, but the reasoning stated above justifies soliciting for these specific Artex® articulators. It has been determined

there are available distributors of the required items and therefore determined to be competed as unrestricted and Brand Name Only for sufficient competition.

7. State why you feel that the anticipated cost to the Government will be fair and reasonable:

Market research showed other dental articulators on GSA for similar pricing to what is anticipated this award will be. Although the items listed on GSA did not meet the need of the Government, FAR Part 8.404(d) states items listed on GSA have already been determined fair and reasonable. Since the items on GSA are similar to the anticipated price, it is determined that the anticipated price of these open market items will be fair and reasonable as well.

8. Other: No other facts included.

9. Certifications:

I hereby certify that the data provided above is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Marcus Kuhnert

Date

Technical Representative

I hereby determine that the circumstances of this contract action deem only one source reasonably available.

Contracting Officer

Daniel Rasmussen

Date

I certify the justification meets requirements for other than full and open competition.

Christine Hansen

Network Contract Manager

Network Contracting Office 12, Great Lakes Acquisition Center